

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows prior to entering the National Stage.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 12 of this paper.